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# NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

## STATUS OF PROJECTS

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

STATUS OF PROJECTS

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1. COMPLETED PROJECTS

(November 15, 1948 - November 29, 1948)

NSC 13/2 RECOMMENDATIONS WITH RESPECT TO U. S. POLICY TOWARD JAPAN  
(Paragraph 9 of NSC 13/1 and 13/2; see NSC Action No. 143)

NSC 20/4 U. S. OBJECTIVES WITH RESPECT TO THE USSR TO COUNTER  
SOVIET THREATS TO U. S. SECURITY  
(See NSC Action No. 144)

NSC 27/3 PROVISION OF A MILITARY POLICE FORCE FOR JERUSALEM  
(See NSC Action No. 146)

NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE SURVEY PRODUCTION SCHEDULE, FISCAL YEAR 1949  
(See NSC Action No. 150)

## 2. PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC

### THE SITUATION WITH RESPECT TO BERLIN

As a matter under continuous consideration, this subject is scheduled for discussion as Item 2 on the agenda for the 28th Meeting of the NSC on December 2. (See Section 4 for status of project on Germany.)

### THE SITUATION WITH RESPECT TO CHINA

As a matter of current concern, this subject is scheduled for discussion as Item 3 on the agenda for the 28th Meeting of the NSC on December 2. (See Section 3 for status of project on China.)

### U. S. POLICY TOWARD JAPAN

(Memo for the NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated October 28, 1948. Ref. NSC 13/2 and NSC Action No. 117, c)

At its 23rd Meeting, October 7, the Council adopted NSC 13/1 as amended, and agreed that paragraphs 5, 9, and 20 should be submitted at a later date. Paragraph 5 adopted as of October 26, 1948 by NSC Action No. 138; paragraph 9 adopted as of November 19 by NSC Action No. 143. Awaiting a joint report from the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense, and the Secretary of the Army on paragraph 20.

### THE INTERNAL SECURITY OF THE UNITED STATES (NSC 17/3)

The Conclusions of a report on the above subject (NSC 17/1) were approved by the Council at its 17th Meeting. On September 16, 1948, the Council, including the Secretary of the Treasury and the Attorney General, approved a directive to SANACC which requested SANACC to take appropriate action on internal security and to make recommendations to the Council on problems requiring Presidential consideration. A report from SANACC (SANACC 401/1) requesting further guidance was submitted to the Council as NSC 17/3 on November 16 together with correspondence by the Secretary of Defense and the Attorney General. Further correspondence by the Air Force member of SANACC and the Attorney General submitted for consideration in connection with NSC 17/3 by memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, NSC, same subject, dated November 26, 1948. To be scheduled for consideration at an early Council meeting.

UNDER CONSIDERATION BY NSC (Cont'd.)

THE POSITION OF THE U. S. WITH RESPECT TO SCANDINAVIA  
(NSC 32, NSC 32/1 and NSC Action No. 102. Ref. NSC 28/1)

At its 19th Meeting the Council requested the Secretary of the Air Force to prepare for Council consideration specific recommendations as the basis for negotiation of matters with respect to Greenland and Spitzbergen. Implementation of a portion of NSC 28/1 (par. 12-b) deferred pending Council action on the above requested report. Report by the Secretary of the Air Force circulated to the Council for information on October 4 and referred to the Staff for consideration, (NSC 32) "The Situation of the U. S. with Respect to Negotiations with Denmark and Norway". The views of the NSC Staff on NSC 32 were submitted to the NSC on November 17, as NSC 32/1. At its 27th Meeting the Council deferred action on NSC 32 and 32/1. Scheduled for consideration as Item 1 on the agenda for the 28th Meeting of the NSC on December 2.

DEVELOPMENTS WITH RESPECT TO WESTERN UNION

(Memo for the Secretaries of State and Defense, from the Executive Secretary, same subject, dated October 29, 1948; NSC 9/5 and memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated November 8, 1948; and NSC 9/6.)

At the suggestion of the Secretary of Defense the Department of State and the JCS were requested to prepare reports on developments with respect to Western Union and the military conversations in London respectively for consideration by the Council at an early meeting. Report by State circulated for information of the Council, November 8, as NSC 9/5. Report by the JCS circulated for information of the Council, November 29 as NSC 9/6. To be scheduled for discussion at an early Council meeting.

3. PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC CONSULTANTS

THE POSITION OF THE U. S. WITH RESPECT TO CHINA  
(NSC 34)

At its 9th Meeting the Council agreed that a report on an over-all policy on China should be prepared and requested the Department of State to draft the initial report. State's draft, "U. S. Policy Toward China" was circulated as NSC 34, October 13, to the Council for information and referred to the Staff for preparation of a report to the Council. At its 26th Meeting the Council discussed a preliminary draft report prepared by the NSC Staff and referred it back to the Staff for revision in the light of the discussion at the Meeting. A final Staff draft report was submitted to the Consultants on November 12. Comments by State and NSRB and amendments by the Air Force were furnished to the Consultants for discussion at a meeting held on November 29. Consultant action deferred pending further consideration by State Consultant in the light of discussion at the meeting. (The problems in the NSC 22 Series are being covered in this series; see Section 6 for current status of the NSC 11 Series.)

THE POSITION OF THE U. S. WITH RESPECT TO IRAN

Study initiated by the NSC Staff on December 2, 1947. First draft issued February 11, 1948. After various revisions, draft presented to Consultants April 23. Concurred in by Navy, April 26; by Army and Air, May 3. State action being deferred, pending related developments.

THE POSITION OF THE U. S. WITH RESPECT TO TURKEY

Study initiated by the NSC Staff February 10, 1948. First draft issued April 5, 1948. After various revisions, draft presented to Consultants April 27. Concurred in by Navy, April 28; by Army, May 7; by Air, May 12. State action being deferred, pending related developments.

UNDER CONSIDERATION BY NSC CONSULTANTS (Cont'd.)

FRENCH NORTH AFRICA  
(NSC 12)

Study of this subject submitted by the Under Secretary of State for the information of the Council distributed as NSC 12, May 28. On the basis of this study, the NSC Staff prepared a report on North-west Africa for consideration by the Council, presenting it to the Consultants for concurrence on June 21. Concurred in by Navy, July 6; by Air, July 7; by NSRB, July 12. State changes of August 4 and Army change of July 6 incorporated in a revision submitted August 4 for further consideration by the Consultants. Army changes submitted August 30. State action being deferred pending related developments.

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4. PROJECTS IN PREPARATION BY NSC STAFFPLANS AND PREPARATIONS FOR WARTIME INFORMATION PROGRAM  
(Ref. NSC 4 and NSC 10 Series, SANACC 304/6 and 304/14)

To provide a basis for a report to the Council on the above subject, the NSC Staff requested the Department of State to prepare an amendment to NSC 4 with respect to planning responsibilities for wartime implementation of NSC 4 in the light of the recommendations of SANACC (SANACC 304/6) and the JCS (SANACC 304/14). By memo of October 5 the Secretary of Defense urged that the NSC Staff submit its report for Council consideration at the earliest possible date. A draft report was submitted on October 21 for consideration by the Consultants. Air disapproved and presented a substitute draft report. Amendments proposed by State, Army, Navy and NSRB were incorporated by the NSC Staff in a redraft which was presented, along with the Air draft, to the Consultants for consideration at a meeting on November 29. The draft was referred back to the NSC Staff for revision in the light of the discussion at the meeting. Awaiting report by the Staff.

THE POSITION OF THE U. S. WITH RESPECT TO GERMANY  
(NSC Action No. 113, b)

At its 21st Meeting, the Council agreed that the Department of State should prepare a draft report for reference to the NSC Staff on the position of the U. S. with respect to Germany in the event that current Berlin negotiations are unsuccessful. Staff awaiting Department of State report.

MEASURES REQUIRED TO ACHIEVE U. S. OBJECTIVES WITH RESPECT TO THE USSR  
(Ref. NSC 20/4, NSC 35)

On the basis of the statement of U. S. risks and objectives with respect to the USSR (NSC 20/4) as adopted by the Council and approved by the President, the Staff is making final revisions to its preliminary draft of the specific measures required to achieve those objectives. In this connection the Staff considered the views of the JCS on military commitments which were circulated as NSC 35 for Council information and Staff use. Awaiting Staff report.



IN PREPARATION BY NSC STAFF (Cont'd.)

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS OF FORMOSA TO U. S. NATIONAL SECURITY  
(Memorandum from Acting Secretary of State, November 1, 1948)

Upon request of the Acting Secretary of State, by memo dated November 1, 1948, the NSC Staff has been directed to prepare for the consideration of the Council, as a matter of priority, an appraisal of the strategic implications to the security of the U. S. should Formosa and its immediately adjacent islands, including the Pescadores, come under an administration which is susceptible of exploitation by Kremlin-directed communists. CIA has furnished the Staff with a current report on the political and economic situation in Formosa. The views of the JCS on the strategic importance of Formosa requested through the Secretary of Defense and received by the Staff on November 29, 1948. Awaiting Staff report.

THE POSITION OF THE U. S. WITH RESPECT TO THE USE OF U. S. MILITARY POWER IN GREECE  
(NSC 5/4)

CIA requested by NSC Staff to prepare a report on the current situation in Greece as a basis for review of NSC 5/4, which was to be undertaken not later than November 1, 1948. CIA report (ORE 28-48) received October 22. Department of State is preparing a draft report. Awaiting State draft.

SANACC 398/4  
(NSC 26/1)

At its 19th Meeting, September 2, 1948, the Council deferred action on NSC 26, but instructed the Department of State to continue further planning with U. S. industrial representatives in this country. A report by the Acting Secretary of State (NSC 26/1) was circulated November 10 for the information of the Council and referred to the NSC Staff for use in the preparation of appropriate modification of NSC 26 for consideration by the Council, as recommended therein. Views of the JCS on NSC 26, circulated informally to members of the Council at their 19th Meeting on September 2, are included in NSC 26/1. Awaiting report by the Staff.

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5. OTHER CURRENT PROJECTS

TURKISH AIR POSITION  
(NSC Action No. 105)

At its 19th Meeting the Council requested the Secretary of the Air Force to prepare a report for Council consideration on the Turkish position with reference to U. S. security interests in the Middle East and to the Greek and Turkish Aid Programs. Awaiting report from the Secretary of the Air Force.

SECURITY OF STRATEGICALLY IMPORTANT INDUSTRIAL OPERATIONS IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES

(NSC Action No. 104, Ref. NSC 29)

At its 19th Meeting the Council directed the Director of CIA to refer to the Office of Special Projects the problem of a specific plan for the security of strategically important industrial operations in Venezuela, and to report the plan to the Council. This directive was subsequently amended to request report by CIA but not by Office of Special Projects (NSC Action No. 128). Awaiting report from the Director of CIA.

COLLECTION OF FOREIGN SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL DATA

(Memo for NSC from the Executive Secretary, same subject, dated September 21, 1948)

Proposed National Security Council Intelligence Directive for Council consideration. Approved by State, September 27; Army, October 4; Navy, October 6; Air, October 14. Disapproved by Defense, October 25. Comments by NSRB received November 5. Disapproval of The Secretary of Defense and comments by NSRB were referred to the Director of CIA for his views and those of the Intelligence Advisory Committee for consideration by the Council. Awaiting report from the Director of CIA.

OTHER CURRENT PROJECTS (Cont'd.)

CIA SURVEY

At its 5th Meeting, January 13, 1948, the NSC approved a resolution authorizing a survey of the organization, activities and personnel of CIA and nominated for consideration by the President, three individuals to conduct the survey. These three Consultants were appointed February 13, 1948. By March 12, 1948, Secretaries of State, Army, Navy, and Air Force had concurred in terms of reference for the survey group. Two interim reports have been submitted: No. 1, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], dated April 30, 1948, and correspondence relating thereto was noted by the NSC as of August 30, 1948; and No. 2, "Relations Between Secret Operations and Secret Intelligence", dated May 13, 1948, was considered by the NSC in connection with the NSC 10 Series. Conferences between Survey Group and heads of CIA and other Intelligence activities in the Government were held on November 22 and 23 to receive suggestions and recommendations from the latter prior to completion of the Survey Group's report. Awaiting final report by the Survey Group.

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## 6. DEFERRED PROJECTS

### DISPOSITION OF THE FORMER ITALIAN COLONIES IN AFRICA (NSC 19/2)

At its 17th Meeting, August 5, the NSC reviewed and discussed this problem but deferred further action pending the results of negotiations by the Department of State referred to in this report.

### NATIONAL SECURITY OBJECTIVES OF THE UNITED STATES

Study initiated by NSC Staff December 2, 1947 as a long-term project. First draft issued February 25, 1948. Further consideration has been deferred until after NSC action on the NSC 35 Series.

### THE POSITION OF THE U. S. WITH RESPECT TO THE MEDITERRANEAN AND THE NEAR EAST

On December 12, 1947 the Consultants advised preparation of a report on this area by the Staff. First draft issued March 2, 1948. Further consideration of the report has been postponed at the request of the Department of State, pending the outcome of current developments in this area.

### THE POSITION OF THE U. S. WITH RESPECT TO FRANCE

Study initiated by the NSC Staff on December 2, 1947. First draft issued March 18, 1948. After initial consideration by the Staff, they agreed to defer further consideration at the request of the Department of State.

### U. S. ARMED FORCES AT TSINGTAO (NSC 11, 11/1)

As requested by the Acting Secretary of State in a letter of October 28 to the Executive Secretary, the Secretary of Defense read at the 26th Meeting of the Council Admiral Badger's statement as to the action he contemplated in the event the Chinese communists attacked Tsingtao and of the steps he was taking pursuant thereto. At its 26th Meeting, the Council also adopted interim recommendations but agreed to defer recommendations as to the eventual withdrawal or retention of U. S. armed forces at Tsingtao, pending reconsideration by the Council in light of U. S. policy toward China as a whole (NSC 34 Series). (See Section 3 for status of NSC 34 Series).

7. CANCELLED PROJECTS

NSC 7 THE POSITION OF THE U. S. WITH RESPECT TO SOVIET-DIRECTED  
WORLD COMMUNISM  
(See NSC Action No. 145)

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1. COMPLETED PROJECTS

(November 29, 1948 - December 13, 1948)

NSC 32/1 CURRENT POSITION OF THE U. S. RESPECTING BASE  
NEGOTIATIONS WITH DENMARK AND NORWAY  
(See NSC Action No. 151)

NSC 37 THE STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE OF FORMOSA  
(See NSC 37)

ECONOMIC STABILIZATION IN JAPAN  
(See NSC Action No. 155)

USE OF U. S. ARMED FORCES IN CONNECTION WITH THE  
EVACUATION OF U. S. CITIZENS IN CHINA  
(See NSC Action No. 156)

2. PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC

THE U. S. POSITION WITH RESPECT TO TURKEY IN THE LIGHT OF U. S. SECURITY INTERESTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST, PARTICULARLY AS RESPECTS AIR POWER AND THE GREEK AND TURKISH AID PROGRAMS  
(NSC 36)

At its 19th Meeting the Council requested the Secretary of the Air Force to prepare a report for Council consideration on the Turkish air position with reference to U. S. security interests in the Middle East and to the Greek and Turkish Aid Programs. Report from the Secretary of the Air Force, submitted as NSC 36 and scheduled as Item 1 on the agenda of the 30th Meeting of NSC, December 16.

THE SITUATION WITH RESPECT TO BERLIN

As a matter under continuous consideration, this subject is scheduled for discussion as Item 2 on the agenda of the 30th Meeting of NSC on December 2. (See Section 6 for status of project on Germany.)

THE AUSTRIAN TREATY IN THE COUNCIL OF FOREIGN MINISTERS  
(NSC 38)

Report by the Department of State, circulated for the information of the Council and scheduled as Item 3 on the agenda of the 30th Meeting of NSC on December 16.

THE INTERNAL SECURITY OF THE UNITED STATES  
(NSC 17/3)

The Conclusions of a report on the above subject (NSC 17/1) were approved by the Council at its 17th Meeting. On September 16, 1948, the Council, including the Secretary of the Treasury and the Attorney General, approved a directive to SANACC which requested SANACC to take appropriate action on internal security and to make recommendations to the Council on problems requiring Presidential consideration. A report from SANACC (SANACC 401/1) requesting further guidance was submitted to the Council as NSC 17/3 on November 16 together with correspondence by the Secretary of Defense and the Attorney General. Further correspondence by the Attorney General and the Air Force member of SANACC submitted for consideration in connection with NSC 17/3 by memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, NSC, same subject, dated November 26, 1948. To be scheduled for consideration at an early Council meeting.

UNDER CONSIDERATION BY NSC (Cont'd)

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### 3. PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC CONSULTANTS

SANACC 398/4  
(NSC 26/1)

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#### THE POSITION OF THE U. S. WITH RESPECT TO IRAN

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#### FRENCH NORTH AFRICA (NSC 12)

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4. PROJECTS IN PREPARATION BY NSC STAFFTHE POSITION OF THE U. S. WITH RESPECT TO CHINA  
(NSC 34)

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PLANS AND PREPARATIONS FOR WARTIME INFORMATION PROGRAM  
(Ref. NSC 4 and NSC 10 Series, SANACC 304/6 and 304/14)

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IN PREPARATION BY NSC STAFF (Cont'd)

MEASURES REQUIRED TO ACHIEVE U. S. OBJECTIVES WITH RESPECT TO THE  
USSR  
(Ref. NSC 20/4, NSC 35)

On the basis of the statement of U. S. risks and objectives with respect to the USSR (NSC 20/4) as adopted by the Council and approved by the President, the Staff is making final revisions to its preliminary draft of the specific measures required to achieve those objectives. In this connection the Staff has considered the views of the JCS on military commitments which were circulated as NSC 35 for Council information and Staff use. Awaiting Staff report.

THE POSITION OF THE U. S. WITH RESPECT TO THE USE OF U. S.  
MILITARY POWER IN GREECE  
(NSC 5/4)

CIA requested by NSC Staff to prepare a report on the current situation in Greece as a basis for review of NSC 5/4, which was to be undertaken not later than November 1, 1948. CIA report (ORE 28-48) received October 22. Department of State submitted a draft report, December 9, which the NSC Staff is considering.

## 5. OTHER CURRENT PROJECTS

### SECURITY OF STRATEGICALLY IMPORTANT INDUSTRIAL OPERATIONS IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES

(NSC Action No. 104, Ref. NSC 29)

At its 19th Meeting the Council directed the Director of CIA to refer to the Office of Special Projects the problem of a specific plan for the security of strategically important industrial operations in Venezuela, and to report the plan to the Council. This directive was subsequently amended to request report by CIA but not by Office of Special Projects (NSC Action No. 128). Awaiting report from the Director of CIA.

### COLLECTION OF FOREIGN SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL DATA

(Memo for NSC from the Executive Secretary, same subject, dated September 21, 1948)

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### RECOMMENDATIONS WITH RESPECT TO U. S. POLICY TOWARD JAPAN

(NSC 13/1 and 13/2; NSC Action No. 117 g (2).)

At its 23rd Meeting on October 7 the Council adopted NSC 13/1, subject to amendments and agreed that paragraphs 5, 9 and 20 should be submitted separately. (NSC Action No. 117.) Approved report circulated as NSC 13/2. Paragraph 5 adopted as of October 26, and paragraph 9, as of November 19 by NSC Action Nos. 138 and 143 respectively. Awaiting a joint report by the Secretaries of State, Defense and the Army on paragraph 20.



## OTHER CURRENT PROJECTS (Cont'd)

CIA SURVEY

At its 5th Meeting, January 13, 1948, the NSC approved a resolution authorizing a survey of the organization, activities and personnel of CIA and nominated for consideration by the President, three individuals to conduct the survey. These three Consultants were appointed February 13, 1948. By March 12, 1948, Secretaries of State, Army, Navy, and Air Force had concurred in terms of reference for the survey group. Two interim reports have been submitted: No. 1, [REDACTED]

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### THE POSITION OF THE U. S. WITH RESPECT TO GERMANY (NSC Action No. 113, b)

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DEFERRED PROJECTS (Cont'd)

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(NSC 11, 11/1)

As requested by the Acting Secretary of State in a letter of October 28 to the Executive Secretary, the Secretary of Defense read at the 26th Meeting of the Council Admiral Badger's statement as to the action he contemplated in the event the Chinese communists attacked Tsingtao and of the steps he was taking pursuant thereto. At its 26th Meeting, the Council also adopted interim recommendations but agreed to defer recommendations as to the eventual withdrawal or retention of U. S. armed forces at Tsingtao, pending reconsideration by the Council in light of U. S. policy toward China as a whole (NSC 34 Series). (See Section 3 for status of NSC 34 Series).

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